

HEROES

CHAPTER 168 FROM THE FILES OF PRIMATECH

PART 3 of 8

1978

Worried about the potential of nuclear power in the hands of humans, The Company has placed safeguards in strategic places. This safeguard's name is Mindy Sprague, and it's her first day on the job on a small island in Pennsylvania.

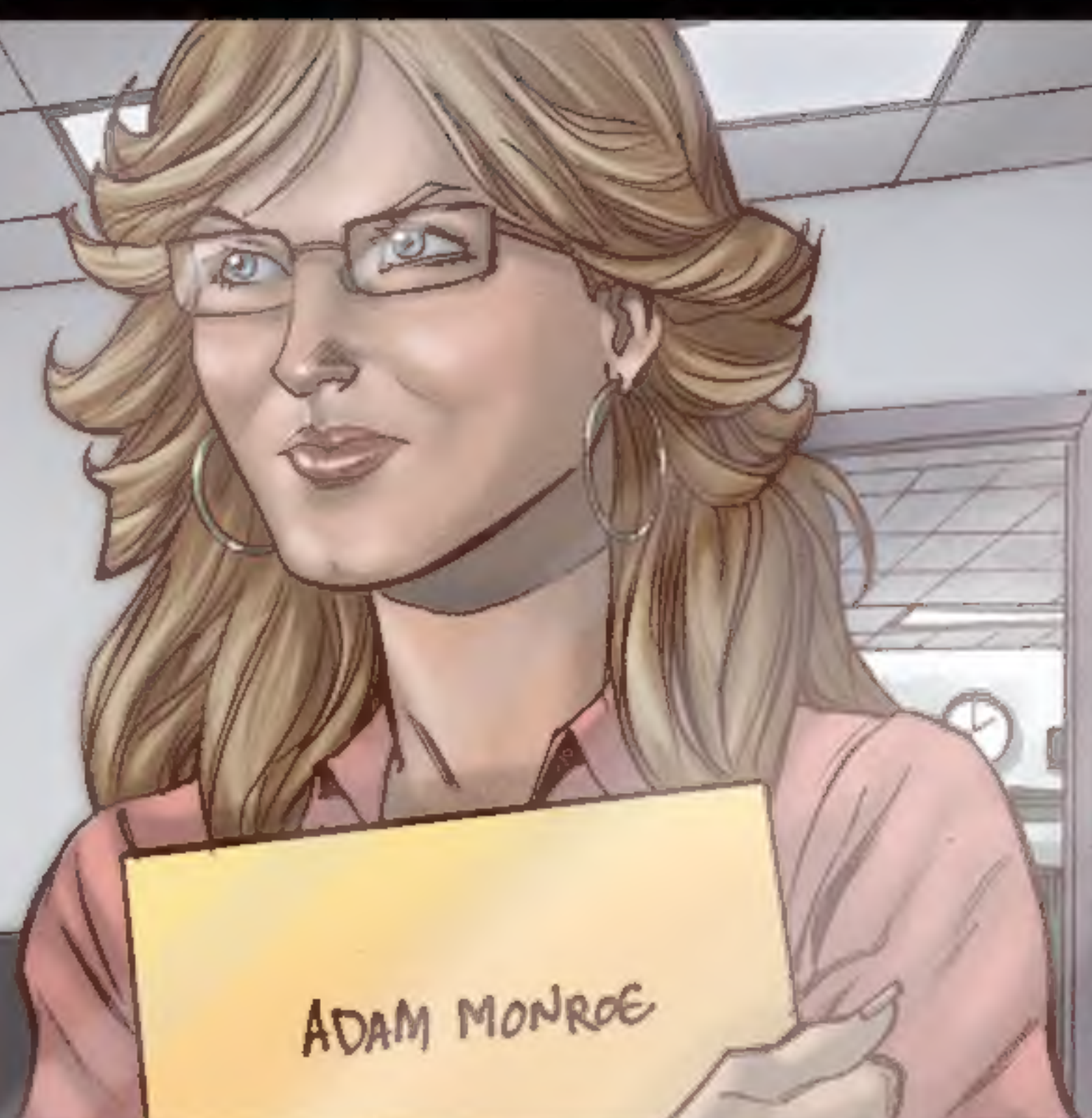
Primatech case #475

Mindy Sprague-Tuesday, 1/3/78

One way to move up in the world:
Wait for crazy to go crazy, and
slip right into his shoes.

New year, new start, new everything.
This is what you wanted Mindy.

Since you guys are full of surprises, and
you "suggested" that I keep a journal, I will
say that it is so nice that last week, I was
packing for a life in the Rain forest, today
I'm in East Bumblefrick Pennsylvania.



Londonderry Township,
Dauphin County, PA.-
Three Mile Island.

...but I am out of Indiana.
Sorta. Not as many
cornfields, but the
Susquehanna is NOT
exactly the Amazon.

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1978 PART ONE

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But this river seems to
have it's own pest problem...



LOOK, MINNIE,
WE NEED TO
TALK.

IT'S
MINNDY,
AL.

AND IT'S
MISTER
WASHBURN.

IT WAS "AL" THIS MORNING
WHEN I MET YOU.

THINGS
CHANGE; AS
WILL THIS
STUFF...
RIGHT NOW.

I DON'T
KNOW WHO
YOU THINK
YOU ARE...

IT'S MY JOB.
MR. WASHBURN,
I WAS PUT HERE TO
CALL ATTENTION
TO SAFETY ISSUES
SUCH AS THIS.

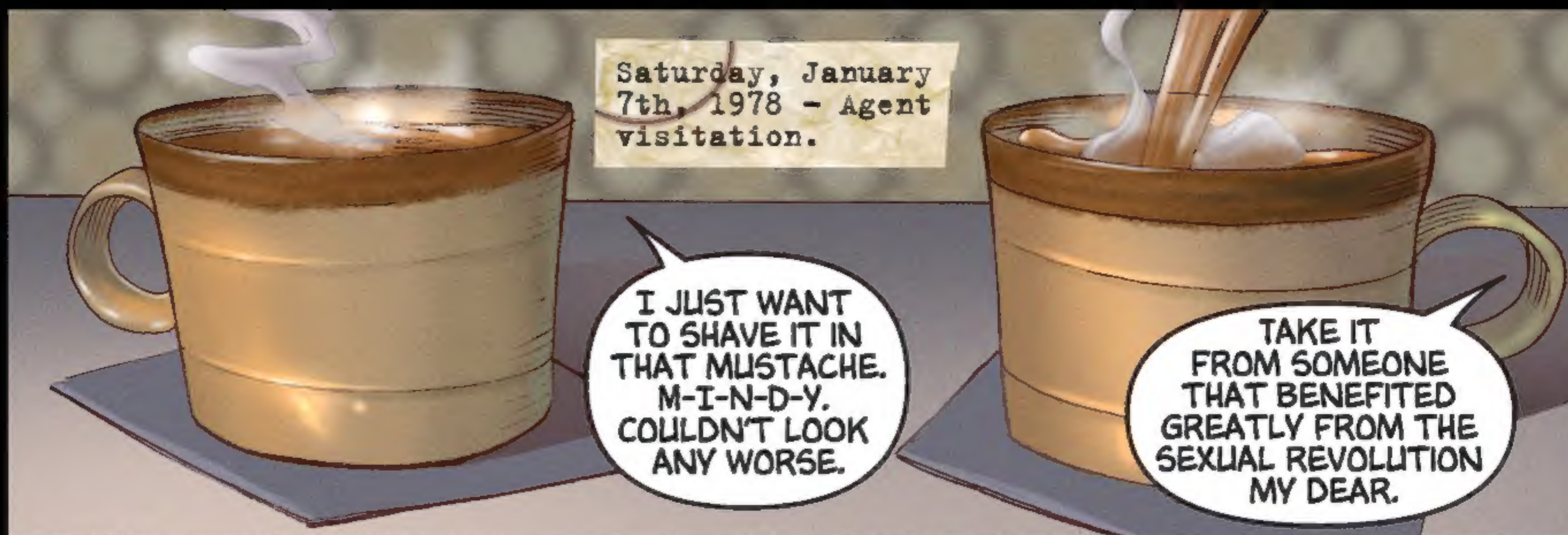
SLAM

LOOK TOOTSIE,
I DON'T CARE
WHAT
GOVERNMENT
SHILL PUT YOU
HERE...

...BUT TELL
WHOEVER IT IS THAT
THEY CAN KEEP THEIR
MITTS OFF MY
POWER PLANT.

AS FOR
YOU, TAKE YOUR
MEDDLING BACK TO
THE HEN HOUSE.

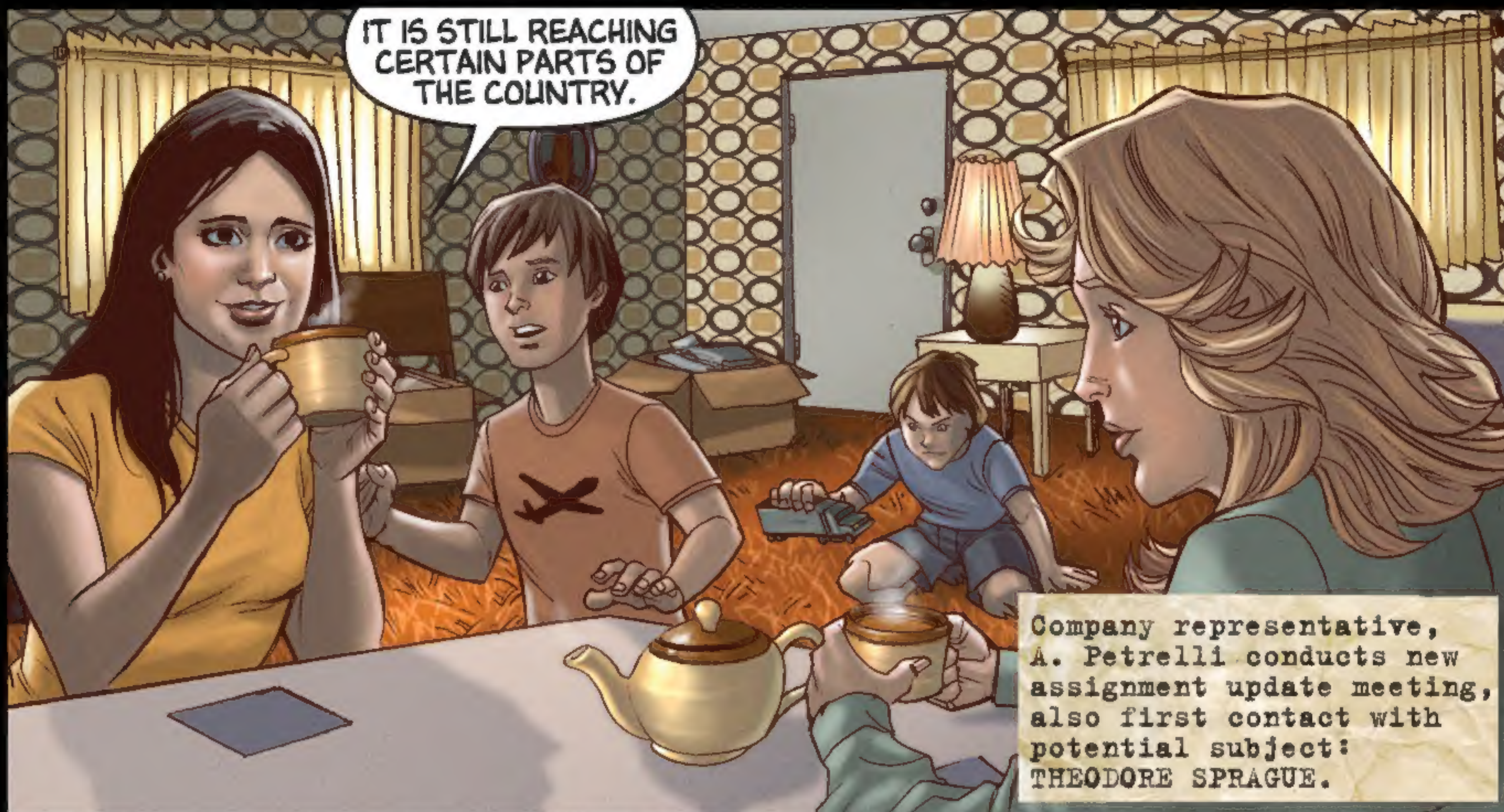
WE DID JUST
FINE BEFORE YOU SHOWED
UP MANDY, AND WE WILL BE
JUST FINE WHEN YOU'RE GONE.



Saturday, January 7th, 1978 - Agent visitation.

I JUST WANT TO SHAVE IT IN THAT MUSTACHE. M-I-N-D-Y. COULDN'T LOOK ANY WORSE.

TAKE IT FROM SOMEONE THAT BENEFITED GREATLY FROM THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION MY DEAR.



IT IS STILL REACHING CERTAIN PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

Company representative, A. Petrelli conducts new assignment update meeting, also first contact with potential subject: THEODORE SPRAGUE.



NATHAN DEAR, PLEASE TAKE TEDDY INTO THE OTHER ROOM FOR A BIT? I NEED TO SPEAK WITH MS. SPRAGUE ALONE, OKAY?

THAT'S A GOOD BOY.

OKAY, MA...



IT WAS A TOUGH FIRST DAY, I'LL GIVE YOU THAT.

THE WEEK WAS A DISASTER.

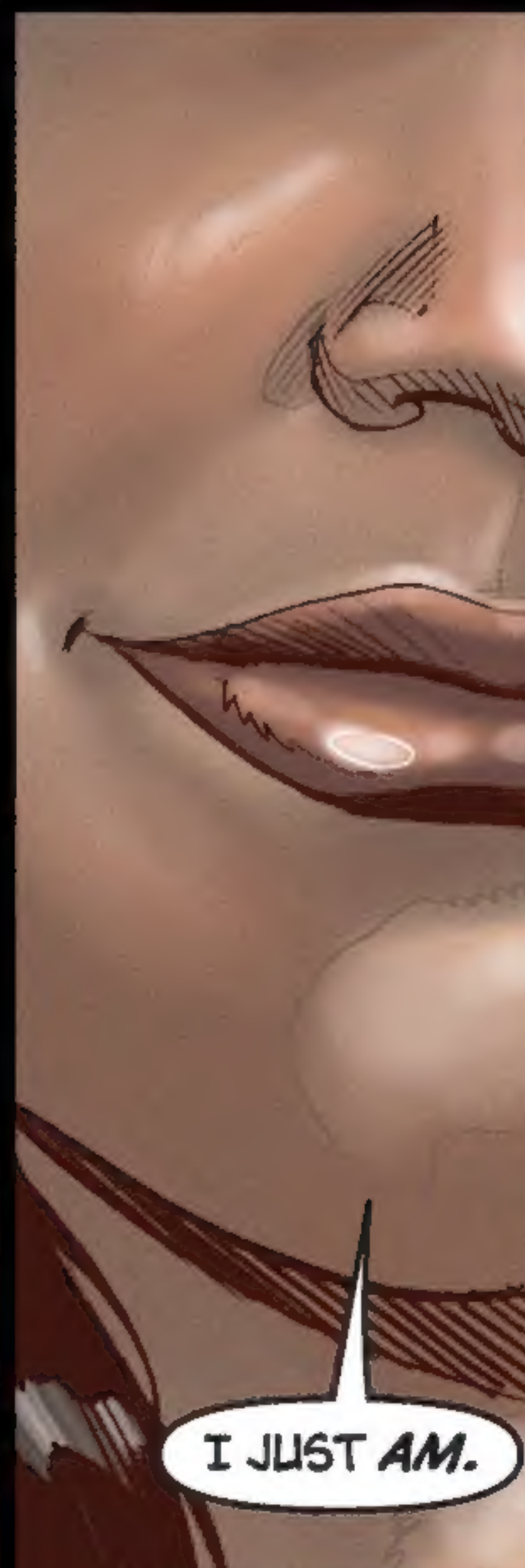
I TOLD YOU BEFOREHAND IT WASN'T GOING TO BE EASY. BUT REMEMBER I WANTED YOU ON THIS PROJECT FOR A REASON.

I HOPE YOU ARE RIGHT, MRS. PETRELLI.

MINDY, IT'S ANGELA... PLEASE.

...AND I KNOW I AM RIGHT.

HOW CAN YOU BE SO SURE?



I JUST AM.

Monday, January 9th, 1978

HIYA, AL!

SLAM

WHAT THE HELL?
CINDY?! WHAT IS
THE MEANING
OF TH...

THIS? OH NOTHING... JUST A LIST
OF SAFETY REGULATIONS THAT
YOU ARE IN VIOLATION OF.

VIOLATIONS THAT
YOU SO ELOQUENTLY PUT,
ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR.

BY MY COUNT
YOUR MITTS HAVE
AROUND 250-400 LIVES IN
DANGER. SO WHAT'S THE
NEXT MOVE, BOSS MAN?

AND...IT'S
MS. SPRAGUE.

ALFRED,
IS THIS
TRUE?

W-WHERE DID YOU GET THIS
INFORMATION?

AMAZING
WHAT ONE COULD
FIND IF YOU LOOK
IN THE RIGHT HEN
HOUSE.

WELL,
MS. SPRAGUE,
THIS IS CERTAINLY
GREAT WORK! WE
WILL ADDRESS THIS
FIRST THING IN
THE MORNING.

Monday, February 6, 1978

I have always said there were only 2 great things that came out of my time in Los Angeles.

Number one of course is Teddy. My sweet Teddy bear... will never hurt a fly.

And number two is my appreciation of music.



Dylan, Coolidge, The Stones... but I love the Eagles, I really do, and last year was an awesome year for them.

Sure you can pick "Hotel California" as their best effort. That's an easy one.



But in a year with a lot of Marvin Gaye, The Bee Gees, and *yawn* Stevie Wonder, one song, good ol' rock & roll has got me through this morning drive these past few weeks.

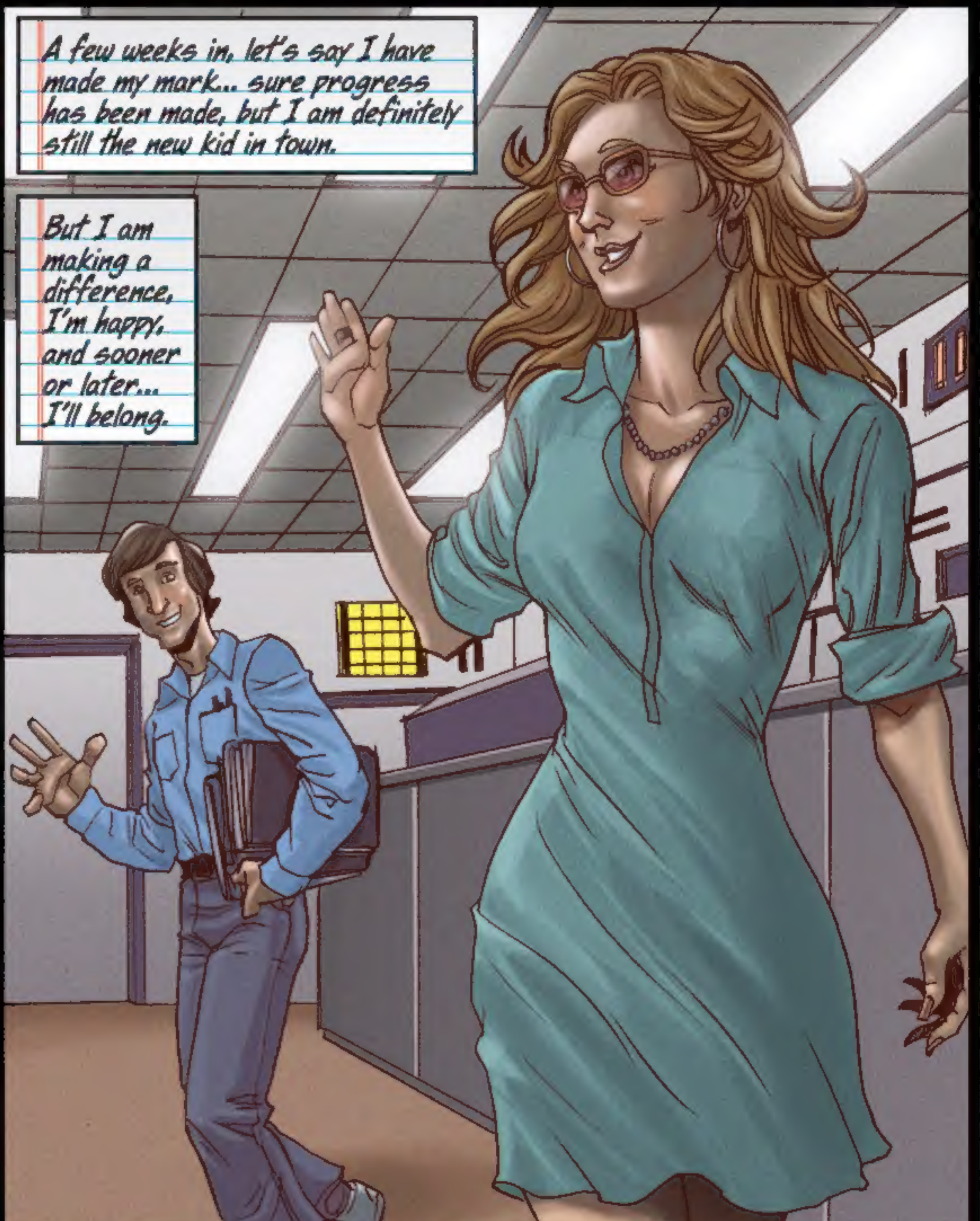


"New Kid In Town"



A few weeks in, let's say I have made my mark... sure progress has been made, but I am definitely still the new kid in town.

But I am making a difference, I'm happy, and sooner or later... I'll belong.



And speaking of Johnny come lately, not backing down, has made Al a pretty big Mindy fan.

HEY, SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOUR SAFETY CHECK ROUNDS, BUT I NEED A MINUTE PLEASE.

SURE AL... FOLKS, I'LL MEET UP WITH YOU AT 306.

I AM CONCERNED WITH THAT COOLANT PROBLEM WE HAVE IN 309.

WE TALKED ABOUT THIS; IT IS MOST LIKELY AN INDICATOR MALFUNCTION, THOSE READINGS DON'T MAKE SENSE. IT IS BEING REPLACED TODAY, IF THIS WAS REAL WE WOULD BE CLOSE TO A MEL...

MINDY! IT *WAS* REPLACED TODAY.

CODE RED. EVACUATE. **NOW!**

AL... GET OUT. **NOW...** GET **EVERYONE** OUT NOW!

BWAAAABWAAAABWAAAABWAAA

MINDY, LET'S GO...

JUST GO... I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU.



BWAAABWAAABWAAABWAAA

*It sounds silly, but
that song keeps me
up. And it keeps me
calm. It's sort of
empowering really.*

*"Great expectations...
everybody's watching you..."*

BWAAABWAAABWAAABWAAA

*"Even your old friends treat you
like you're something new..."*

*"Johnny come lately,
the new kid in town..."*

BWAAABWAAABWAAABWAAA

**CORE ACCESS:
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"Everybody loves you..."

BWAAABWAAABWAAABWAAA

**CORE ACCESS:
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"...so don't let them down"

**TO BE
CONTINUED.**